

Weybridge and elsewhere. In 1902 I mentioned that the late A. J. Chitty frequently found slow-worms in nests of *F. fusca* at Dorington in Kent, and said that this was worth recording as the *Amphisbaena*, a blind, snake-like lizard lives in the nests of the leaf-cutting ants on the Amazons. In Guiana, a legless lizard, *Caecilia annulosa*, also lives in the nests of the fungus-growing ants [*Ent. Rec.*, 14, 15 (1902)]. Mr. J. Clark informs me that there are several species of snakes living with ants in Australia.

Further Records of Lepidoptera from the Witley District of Surrey.

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Since the publication of Mr. Tullett's "Notes and Observations on the Lepidoptera of the Witley District, 1912-1919," in the *Entomologist's Record*, Vol. XXXII., nos. 3, 5, 6, the following notes and records of additions to the List have come to hand. For these we are principally indebted to Messrs. H. T. G. Watkins and J. E. Eastwood, who kindly furnished us with lists of captures made in the district, either by the latter or by Mr. E. G. R. Waters, and which are not recorded in Mr. Tullett's paper.

But first of all I must dispel the illusive report of *Strymon pruni* and explain how it came to be recorded. We have lately discovered letters showing that some pupae of *S. pruni* had been purchased from a dealer in the same month and year in which the larvae were recorded to have been beaten, and it is clear that some of the purchased pupae (from Huntingdonshire) became accidentally mixed up with pupae of *Rurales betulae* from larvae beaten in May, 1919, and, emerging at the same time, were supposed to have been among the beaten larvae.

The List published by Mr. Tullett is a fairly long one considering the fact that the Pyrales, Tortrices and Tineae are omitted; so it is not surprising that few names have been added to the list in the four years since 1919, and that most of the following are records of species taken in this district by other collectors previously to the time covered by Mr. Tullett's paper.

PAPILIONIDAE.—Sub-family *Pierinae*.—*Colias hyale*, L. Eastwood records one at Enton in 1892.

NYMPHALIDAE.—Sub-family *Nymphalinae*.—*Euranesia antiopa*, L. Two taken at ivy bloom, at King Edward's School, about 1870, by a gardener, were seen by Eastwood.

Argynnis aglaia, L. One, below Hambledon Common, recorded by Eastwood.

Melitaea aurinia, Rott. One in the Hill Museum, taken 3.VI.1914, Witley.

LYCAENIDAE.—Sub-family *Lycaeninae*.—*Strymon w-album*, Knoch. This species is recorded from Witley in Newman's *British Butterflies*. He lived at Godalming.

Polyommatus (Aricia) meton, Hufn. Recorded for Witley in plenty by Eastwood.

Polyommatus (Agriades) coridon, Poda. Waters records one on Witley Common (Rodborough), 1905; also several in a meadow at Chiddingfold, apparently freshly emerged, 1911.

- SPHINGIDAE.—*Manduca (Acherontia) atropos*, L. One, at Sweetwater. At rest in afternoon on grass, recorded by Eastwood.
- Mimas (Dilina) tiliæ*, L. Recorded at Witley from pupa dug under elm. (Eastwood.)
- Agrilus (Protoparce) convolvuli*, L. Witley. Eastwood notes this as very plentiful in 1891.
- Eumorpha (Chaerocampa) elpenor*, L. Recorded from Witley by Eastwood.
- Theretra (Metopsilus) porcellus*, L. Also recorded from Witley by Eastwood.
- NOTODONTIDAE.—*Drymonia chaonia*, Hb. Witley (Eastwood).
- Phaeosia dictaeoides*, Esp. Witley (Eastwood).
- Notodonta ziczæ*, L. Witley (Eastwood).
- Odontesia carmelita*, Esp. Recorded from Witley Common, April 10th, 1912, by Waters.
- Palimpsestis (Cymatophora) fluctuosa*, Hb. Witley. One at sugar (Eastwood).
- ENDROMIDAE.—*Endromis versicolora*, L. Mr. Eastwood's own note as regards this species is, "No—but I am fairly certain I saw a male flying on the Heath between Enton and the railway."
- ARCTIIDAE.—Sub-family *Arctiinae*.—*Parasemia plantaginis*, L. Witley (Eastwood).
- ARCTIIDAE.—Sub-family *Lithosiinae*.—*Lithosia deplana*, Esp. Witley Common, 1914 (Waters), also Hydon Ball.
- NOCTUIDAE.—Sub-family *Acrionictinae*.—*Acrionicta aceris*, L. Witley (Eastwood).
- Acrionicta megacephala*, Fab. Witley (Eastwood).
- NOCTUIDAE.—Sub-family *Triptinae*.—*Peridroma margaritosa*, Haw., (*sau-cia*, Hb.). Recorded by Eastwood, at sugar in plenty, 1891. *Ent.* XXIV., p. 229.
- Agrotis agathina*, Dup. Witley Common, 1911 (Waters).
- Noctua serstrigata*, Haw. (*umbrosa*, Hb.). Witley (Eastwood).
- Noctua glareosa*, Esp. Witley Common, on heather, 1911 (Waters), also ab. *rosea*.
- Noctua stigmatica*, Hb. (*rhomboidea*, Tr.). Witley, recorded by Eastwood; Witley Common, near Lea Park, at Ragwort, 1908 (Waters).
- Aplecta advena*, Fab. Eastwood had six and Miss A. Evans one, taken at Witley.
- Eumiechtis adusta*, Esp. Eastwood, who records this as quite common in some years, has a long series from Witley.
- Mamestra pisi*, L. Witley (Eastwood).
- Dianthoea carpophaga*, Bkh. Eastwood took also abs. *capsophila* and *pallida*.
- Luperina (Melanchra) cespitis*, Fab. Taken at Witley, by Eastwood. Also one in the Hill Museum. August 30th, 1912.
- Miana literosa*, Haw. Witley (Eastwood).
- Xylophasia scolopacina*, Esp. Witley, in 1892 (Eastwood).
- Mamestra (Apamea) sordida*, Bkh. (*anceps*, Hb.). Witley in plenty, 1892 (Eastwood).
- Petilimema arcuosa*, Haw. Witley Common, 1910 (Waters).
- Neuria (Hadena) reticulata*, Vill. (*saponariae*, Bkh.). A few at Witley (Eastwood).

- Leucania impudens*, Hb. (*pudorina*, Hb.). Witley (Eastwood); Witley Common, in a bog, 1912 (Waters).
- Nonagria armudinis*, Fab. (*typhae*, Esp.). Witley (Eastwood).
- Tapinostola fulva*, Hb. Witley (Eastwood).
- Cerigo matura*, Hufn. (*cytherea*, Fab.). Witley (Eastwood).
- Pachnobia leucographa*, Hb. Witley (Eastwood).
- Taeniocampa populeti*, Fab. Enton, April 5th, 1917 (Eastwood); Witley Common, March, 1911, at Sallow (Waters); Enton, March 23rd, 1920, at Sallow, by the Hill Museum Staff.
- Taeniocampa opima*, Hb. Witley. Taken by Eastwood, April 11th, 1916.
- Calymnia affinis*, L. Recorded as taken every year at Enton, by Eastwood; also Witley Common, 1911-12 (Waters).
- Calymnia diffinis*, L. Witley Common, at end near Mousehill, at sugar, 1911-12 (Waters).
- Calymnia pyralina*, L. Three recorded at Enton, by Eastwood, Witley Common, at sugar, 1912.
- Dyschorista iners*, Germ. (*suspecta*, Hb.). Recorded at Witley by Eastwood; also Witley Common, 1910-12, by Waters.
- Aporophyla nigra*, Haw. Enton, bred from dock by Eastwood. One taken at The Hill, Wormley, October 17th, 1923.
- Xantholenca croceago*, Fab. Witley (Eastwood).
- Dasyecampa rubiginosa*, Fab. Witley seems a good locality for this rarity. Eastwood had a long series taken at ivy bloom. Waters took it at sallow in 1907-1908 and 1910.
- Chariclea umbra*, Hfn. (*marginata*, Fab.). Witley, 1913 (Eastwood).
- Eustrotia (Hydrelia) uncula*, Clk. Witley Common, in a bog, abundant in 1913-14 (Waters).
- Cucullia gnaphalii*, Hb. One at Witley, 1892, also larva between Witley and Grayswood, taken by the late Miss Ada Evans; also one near Chiddingfold, about 1911, by Mr. A. E. Tonge.
- Sub-family QUADRIFINAE.—*Ophiusa (Tococampa) pastinum*, Tr. Miss Evans took six.
- Sub-family HYPENINAE.—*Hypenodes costaestrigalis*, Stph. Witley Common, 1910 (Waters).
- Schrankia turfosalis*, Wocke. Witley Common, in sheltered boggy places, abundant, 1912 (Waters).
- GEOMETRIDAE.—Sub-family ACIDALIINAE.—*Eois (Hyria) muricata*, Hfn. (*auroraria*, Bkh.). Witley (Eastwood).
- Leptomeris immutata*, L. Two at Witley (Eastwood).
- Pyralge fumata*, Stph. Witley, at whortlebury (Eastwood).
- Ephyra orbicularia*, Hb. Witley (Eastwood).
- Sub-family HYDRIOMENINAE.—*Ortholitha cervinata*, Schiff. Eight in Miss Evans' collection.
- Anaitis efformata*, Guen. Several of these were picked out by Mr. L. B. Prout from among *A. plagiata* in The Hill Museum Collection, from Witley, dated June 11th, 1912, August 29th, 1912, August or September, 1913, and May 27th, 1918.
- Chesias rufata*, Fab. (*obliquaria*, Bkh.). Recorded from Witley (Eastwood).
- Philereme rhamnata*, Schiff. Four recorded from Witley (Eastwood).
- Cidaria siderata*, Hfn. (*psittacata*, Schiff.). Two in Miss Evans' collection.

- Cidaria miata*, L. Witley, taken by Miss Evans.
- Ochyria quadrifasciaria*, Clk. Witley (Eastwood). Recorded also by Barrett. Near Milford (Waters); also one or two specimens near Hambledon, taken by the writer.
- Xanthorrhoe rivata*, Hb. Witley (Eastwood).
- Mesoleuca bicolorata*, Hfn. Hambledon, July 10th, 1919. Taken by the writer.
- Hydriomena furcata*, Thunbg. (*sordidata*, F., *elutata*, Hb.). Common in woods between Hambledon and Chiddingfold.
- Anticlea rubidata*, Fab. Recorded, in *Victoria County History of Surrey*, as taken at Chiddingfold, by W. J. Kaye.
- Eupithecia subnotata*, Hb. Witley, 1910 (Waters).
- Eupithecia togata*, Hb. Witley, from spruce (Eastwood).
- Phibalapteryx vitalbata*, Hb. Witley (Eastwood).
- Phibalapteryx tersata*, Hb. Wormley Hill, 1910 (Waters).
- Caenocalpe vittata*, Bkh. (*lignata*, Hb.). Witley (Eastwood); Milford, 1914 (Waters).
- Sub-family BOARMIINAE.—*Ennomos quercinaria*, Hufn. Recorded from Witley by Eastwood.
- Ennomos erosaria*, Bkh. Witley, recorded by Eastwood.
- Epione apiciaria*, Schiff. Taken at Sandhills in 1911, by Waters.
- Cleora lichenaria*, Hufn. Enton, July 10th, 1915, taken by Waters.
- COSSIDAE.—*Zenzera pyrina*, L. (*aesculi*, L.) Witley, recorded by Eastwood; also a larva received at the Hill Museum, found in a piece of oak branch, from Hambledon, 1923.
- AEGERIIDAE.—*Aegeria (Sesia) tipuliformis*, Cl. Witley, recorded by Eastwood; also a pair taken by the writer's son, in 1922.
- Aegeria (Sesia) culiciformis*, L. Witley, recorded by Eastwood.
- Aegeria (Sesia) asiliformis*, Rott. (*cynipiformis*, Esp.). Witley, recorded by Eastwood.
- Aegeria (Sesia) myopiformis*, Bkh. Recorded from Hambledon by Eastwood.

The Russian Entomological Society.

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In spite of many difficulties and even hardships, the Russian Entomological Society is carrying on its fine tradition; in fact, the very difficulties to be overcome have, perhaps, stimulated the activities of its members, many of whom have been in actual want and distress, through which the sympathetic encouragement and material assistance of British entomologists has been an immense help, which has been fully appreciated.

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